

Rental Projects Gain
 Rental-project mortgage-insurance applications accounted mainly for September increase of nearly 10 percent over the August figure in applications covering new construction in the FHA throughout the agency.

Real Estate

Architects Have Broad Experience in Designing Southland Institutions

Architects for the Little Company of Mary Hospital are Gene Verge and R. N. Clatworthy, AIA.

They were selected because of their planning and design of institutional projects here.

The firm has completed more than 90 institutions in the past four years. Other hospitals designed by the firm are located at Napa, Covina, and in the San Fernando Valley.

The hospital's basic design is a large cross, which increases efficiency and reduces work of the staff.

The design is so flexible that additions will be a continuation of the present construction. Future construction plans include a separate sisters' home, chapel, and three more stories on the main building.

Among institutions designed by Verge and Clatworthy are the St. John Bosco School for Boys, Bellflower, and all buildings for the parishes of St. Maria Goretti, Long Beach, and Mary Immaculate, Pacoima.

Churches they have planned and designed include St. Joan of Arc, West Los Angeles, and St. Joseph's, Placentia.

CONTRACTOR IS 40-YEAR VETERAN

Contractor for the Little Company of Mary Hospital is Steed Bros., a 40-year-old Southland institutional builder.

Steed Bros., broke ground last January, with Roy Radford, construction superintendent, and George Levens, supervisor for the Little Company of Mary, on the job.

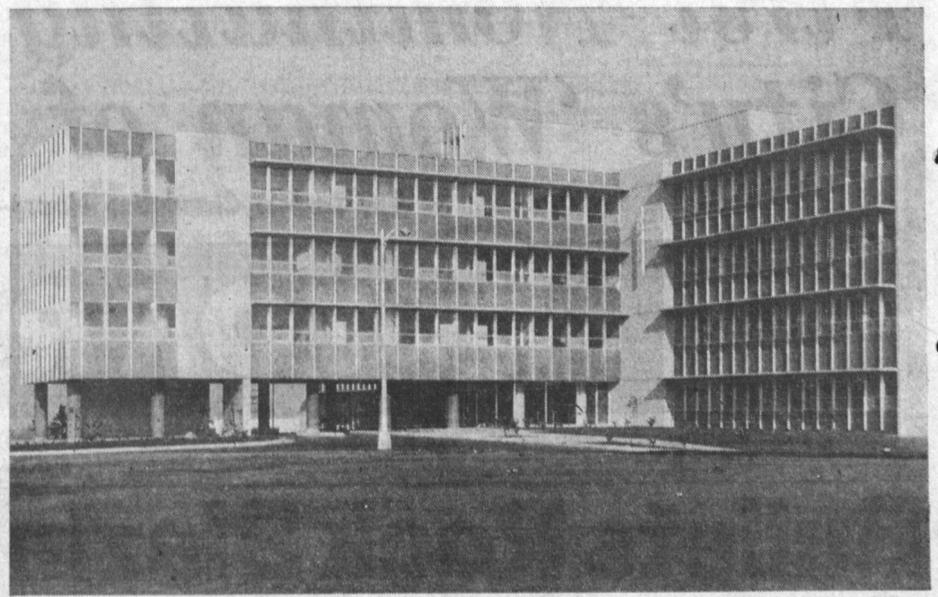
The project is the fifth hospital built by Steed Bros. during the last five years. In recent years it has built more than 85 institutions for the Catholic Church here.

Over the years Steed has built 150 churches of all denominations, schools, banks, and buildings at Cal-Poly, Caltech, and other colleges.

Sheriff's Auction Set

Sheriff Peter J. Pitchess today announced the semi-annual auction of unclaimed property will be held in the basement of the Hall of Justice Tuesday and Wednesday at 9 a.m.

Thousands of items on sale include rifles, cameras, home appliances, power tools, automobile tires and accessories, and clothing. Approximately 250 bicycles will be offered each day.



IMPOSING LANDMARK—Little Company of Mary Hospital, situated on a slight acclivity, will become a landmark here.

On a fully landscaped 10-acre site, hospital is designed for three-story addition, which would double its initial capacity.

Hospital to Feature Latest in Equipment

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 San Pedro, chairman, department of obstetrics and gynecology; Joseph Nebolon, Lomita, chairman, department of general practice; Richard F. McClure, Redondo Beach, chief, department of radiology; John B. McGrath, Manhattan Beach, chief, department of pathology.

Torrance, Hermosa Beach, Redondo Beach, Manhattan Beach, El Segundo, Hawthorne, Compton, Gardena, Palms Verdes, Wilmington, San Pedro, Lomita and others will be served by the hospital.

Aluminum windows are separated only by vertical aluminum mullions. Dark spandrel panels below the windows provide an effective contrast to the otherwise soft color of the building and creates an attractive curtain-wall effect.

At the entrance of the building the open treatment adds to the warmth of the reception room. The garden next to the entrance doors is continued into the lobby creating a feeling of spaciousness. The lobby is surrounded on three sides by floor-to-ceiling glass walls.

For visitors and guests there is an abundance of parking space provided within the grounds and more than adequate lighting.

All areas were designed, and materials and equipment selected, with the idea of achieving maximum maintenance efficiency and the ultimate in patient care.

The emergency department, surgical and obstetrics departments are air-conditioned with an electronic air-filter system.

All floors and stairways throughout the building are terrazzo.

To speed written communications between departments, an electronically activated pneumatic message system is used.

Each nursing floor has a centrally located nurses' station which facilitates over-all supervision of all four wings. Each station contains an intercom between patients and the desk.

All rooms have a television set and radio for each bed.

Rooms are either private or semi-private, and no room contains more than two beds.

Each nursing floor has two spacious solariums.

One of the most important features of the hospital is the emergency unit in the west wing. It contains an operating room with facilities for two surgical tables. This department will remain open and staffed 24 hours a day for accident victims and critically ill or injured patients.

Also located in the west wing is a complete X-ray department. In addition, the hospital has a mobile X-ray machine that can be moved anywhere within the building and operates from power outlets in each patient's room.

Deep-therapy treatment, radio-

Large Emergency Facility Included

In 1956, emergency hospital cases of all kinds totaled more than 43,000 cases in the Torrance-South Bay area. Today such cases probably exceed 50,000, while 10 years ago they amounted to little more than 4600.

This increase in accident and emergency cases of all kinds is the reason for the large emergency facilities at the Little Company of Mary Hospital.

From the beginning of hospital operations the 24-hour emergency service for accident, injury and other patients will be open. The facilities are on the ground floor.

The air-conditioned emergency section is completely equipped with ambulance entrance, receiving and observation rooms, surgery, out-patient clinic, X-ray, therapy, and a physician's office.

A staff physician will be on duty 24 hours a day. Adjacent to the emergency section is public parking.

It is expected this new facility will help immeasurably in relieving the emergency load on Harbor General Hospital and the others in the area. Also, it is believed emergency-case referrals to outside hospitals will be eliminated.

isotope laboratory and cystoscopic and physical-therapy departments are in the west wing.

The north wing contains the kitchen. All equipment is of the latest design for maximum efficiency. Gas stoves and ovens, stainless steel counters, sinks and work tables and four walk-in refrigerators are provided. The kitchen prepares food for all patients, staff, and for the dining room and coffee shop.

A spacious glass-enclosed lobby with an attractive reception and information counter greets visitors as they enter the hospital. Directly off the lobby is a gift shop, coffee shop and large dining room.

A pharmaceutical department is located in the west wing immediately off the lobby area.

All floors are served by three elevators from the lobby.

The west wing includes the personnel department, complete laboratory facilities, blood bank and bacteriology and serology laboratories.

Nurses' lounge and office, doctors' library and administrative offices are in the east wing.

The second floor contains the surgical wing with four operating rooms, nurses' and doctors' lounge and recovery room. Each operating room is supplied with surgical gas, air vacuum and oxygen from tubes leading from the ceiling, eliminating bulky equipment.

Alter Names Hank Mahler Vice-President

Gerald L. Alter, president of Alter Realty & Insurance, local realty Corporation, has announced appointment of Henry E. Mahler as vice president and director.

Although Mahler, better known as Hank, has been with the Alter corporation two years, he rapidly rose to top salesman within one year.

He is busy starting syndicates for purchase, development, and resale of real estate, and manages two successful ones.

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